& Cosmetics Act, 1940, before these are implemented.

Effect of Urine Therapy on Aids

6391. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Times of India dated the 7th March, 1995 under the Caption "Water of life" may cure AIDS;

(b) whether uropathy known as urine therapy can cure a host of diseases including the most dreaded disease of the century AIDS according to a book "Wonders of Urotherapy" by Dr. G.K. Thakkar, Director of the Water Life Foundation; and

(c) whether Government have gone through the book; if so, the reaction of Govenment thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WEFLARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a): Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In the absence of any research data the efficacy of Urotherapy/ Urinetherapy for different ailments has not been verified.

Development of a Vaccine Against AIDS by Cuba

6392. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cuba has successfully developed a vaccine against AIDS; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) and (b): No published Scientific report about Cuba having developed a Vaccine against AIDS is available with the Government.

Resignation of faculty Members from AIIMS

6393. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the faculty members of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences who have resigned/taken premature retirement during the administrative tenure of the present Director of the Institute;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of faculty members who have left AIIMS during the tanure of its present Director is the highest as compared to similar cases during the tenure of the previous Directors of the Institute; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take so that the talanted faculty members of the Institute are not forced to leave, it due to administrative mismanagement of the Director?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Thirty seven faculty members of AIIMS resigned/took voluntary retirement during the administrative tenure of the present Director of the Institute.

(b) and (c): The number is more as the strength of the faculty members has been increasing. The faculty members resign/ take voluntery retirement on account of "personal grounds" as stated by them.

Functioning of the AIIMS

6394. SHRI RAM RATAN RAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that former Union Health Minister continues to be the president of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences;

(b) whether it is also a fact that only the President has the authority to call a meeting of the Institute;